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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the first Office Action, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, paragraph 1:

a₁ This application is related to 09/042,138, filed March 13, 1998, which is a continuation application of United States patent application serial number 08/742,377, filed November 1, 1996; this application is also related to 09/324,783, filed June 3, 1999. The contents of each of these related applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties. This application is also related to copending United States patent application "Barrier Catheter Apparatus and Method," attorney docket No. 047711/0284, filed